

LISTING OF CLAIMS

There are no amendments to the claims. The following listing of claims is provided in accordance with applicable requirements.

Claim 1 (previously presented). An image fixing apparatus, comprising:

a print path;

a fusing device operatively positioned on the print path and having a hot roller and more than one pressure roller; and,

a shunting device configured to be operated to cause a given sheet of media to selectively pass either:

between the hot roller and only one pressure roller; or

between the hot roller and more than one pressure roller.

Claims 2-5 (canceled).

Claim 6 (previously presented). The apparatus of claim 1, and further comprising a deposition device operatively positioned on the print path and upstream of the fusing device, whereby an image is selectively deposited on the sheet of media while the sheet of media moves along the print path and through the deposition device.

Claims 7-13 (canceled).

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1 Claim 14 (previously presented). An image fixing apparatus, comprising:
2 a fusing device having a single hot roller and a plurality of pressure rollers;
3 a print path configured to convey there along sheets of media;
4 a fusing circuit operatively connected with the print path; and,
5 a shunting device operatively located along the print path and configured to
selectively divert a given sheet of media from the print path onto the fusing circuit,
6 wherein:

7 when the shunting device diverts the given sheet of media onto the
fusing circuit, the given sheet of media successively passes between the hot
8 roller and each of the pressure rollers; and,

9 when the shunting device does not divert the given sheet of media onto
10 the fusing circuit, the given sheet passes between the hot roller and only one
11 of the pressure rollers.

12 Claims 15-26 (canceled).

14 Claim 27 (previously presented). An image fixing apparatus, comprising:

15 a single hot roller;
16 a first pressure roller proximate the hot roller;
17 a second pressure roller proximate the hot roller;
18 a print path that passes only between the hot roller and the first pressure
roller;
19 a fusing circuit that branches from the print path after the first pressure roller,
20 and passes between the hot roller and the second pressure roller; and,

21 a third pressure roller proximate the hot roller, wherein the fusing circuit
comprises:

22 a first leg that passes only between the hot roller and the second
pressure roller; and,

24 a second leg that passes only between the hot roller and the third
pressure roller.

1 Claim 28 (previously presented). The apparatus of claim 27, and further comprising:
2 a first shunting device configured to selectively divert a given sheet of media
3 from the print path onto the first leg to pass between the hot roller and the second
4 pressure roller after the given sheet of media passes between the hot roller and the
first pressure roller; and,

5 a second shunting device configured to selectively divert the given sheet of
6 media from the first leg onto the second leg to pass between the hot roller and the
7 third pressure roller after the given sheet of media passes between the hot roller and
the second pressure roller.

9 Claim 29 (previously presented). An image fusing method, comprising:

10 providing an imaging device having a single hot roller, a first pressure roller, a
11 second pressure roller, and an output tray;

12 providing a first media sheet and a second media sheet;

13 passing the first media sheet between the hot roller and the first pressure
roller;

14 depositing the first media sheet in the output tray;

15 passing the second media sheet between the hot roller and the first pressure
roller;

16 passing the second media sheet between the hot roller and the second
pressure roller; and,

17 depositing the second media sheet in the output tray.

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20 Claim 30 (previously presented). The method of claim 29, and further comprising
determining that the second media sheet requires increased image gloss, wherein
21 passing the second media sheet between the hot roller and the second pressure
22 roller is performed in response to determining that the second media sheet requires
23 increased image gloss.

1 Claim 31 (previously presented). An image fixing device, comprising:
2 a hot roller;
3 a first pressure roller;
4 a second pressure roller;
5 a print path that passes between the hot roller and only the first pressure
roller; and,

6 a fusing circuit that branches from the print path after first pressure roller and
7 that passes between the hot roller and only the second pressure roller.

8 Claim 32 (previously presented). The image fixing device of claim 31, further
9 comprising a selectively controllable shunting device configured to selectively divert
10 a given sheet of imaging media from the print path and onto the fusing circuit.

11 Claim 33 (previously presented). An image fixing device, comprising:

12 a hot roller;
13 a first pressure roller;
14 a second pressure roller;
15 a selectively controllable shunting device configured to selectively divert a
given sheet of imaging media to pass between the hot roller and the second
16 pressure roller after the given sheet passes between the hot roller and the first
17 pressure roller.

18 Claim 34 (previously presented). An apparatus for fixing an image to a sheet of
19 media, comprising:

20 a hot roller; and,
21 a shunting device configured to be selectively controlled to either:
22 cause the image to come into contact with the hot roller only once; or,
23 cause the image to come into contact with the hot roller more
24 than once.

1 Claim 35 (previously presented). An apparatus for fixing an image to a sheet of
2 media, comprising:

a hot roller; and,

a means for selectively causing the image to either:

Come into contact with the hot roller only once; or,

Come into contact with the hot roller more than once.

Claim 36 (previously presented). An image fixing device, comprising:

a hot roller;

a first pressure roller;

a second pressure roller;

a means for selectively diverting a given sheet of imaging media between the hot roller and the second pressure roller after the given sheet passes between the hot roller and the first pressure roller.

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